those departments which have prescribed knowledge of Hindi for recruitment in contravention of the assurance given by the Govt. of India regarding language issue; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken by Govt. to implement the assurance on language issue?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) The government has not made knowledge of Hindi compulsory for any service of post of the Union, except in respect of any special service or post for which a high standard of knowledge of Hindi alone, or Hindi & English both, is considered essential for the satisfactory performance of the duties in any such services or posts. No instance of any violation of this has come to the notice of the Home Ministry.

(b) The question does not arise.

Representation of Mahila Samaj, Port Blair

3545. SHRI M. KADHARSHA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the President of Mahila Samaj, Port Blair (Anarkali Village) Andaman & Nicobar Islands has submitted any representation to the Prime Minister regarding demands of Karen people of Mayabunder Tehsil in North Andaman;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and what action has been taken on their representations;

(c) the number of Karen families from Burma which have settled in Andaman and Nicobar Islands;

(d) when they settled there;

(e) whether any High Power Committee was set up by the Administration for their regularisation, if so, what are the recommendations made by the Committee and accepted and implemented by the Government; and

(f) what steps Govt. propose to maintain their cultural identity and language i.e. Karenan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) to (f) The information has been sought from the Andaman and Nicobar Islands Administration and, when available, will be placed on the Table of the House.

3546. [Transferred to the 19th August, 1988]

मौलवी लियाकत अली

3547. श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय: क्या गृह मंत्री [illegible] की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार को इस बात की जानकारी है कि 1857 में इलाहाबाद, कानपुर और लखनऊ में ईस्ट इंडिया कम्पनी के विरुद्ध विद्रोह का नेतृत्व इलाहाबाद के महान स्वतंत्रता सेनानी, देश भक्त और अमर शहीद लियाकत अली ने किया था ;

(ख) क्या मौलवी लियाकत अली के परिवार की सदस्य श्रीमती उम्मी हबीबा को प्रतिमाह 50/- रुपये की पेंशन मिलती थी, जिसको 1985 में बढ़ाकर 500/- रुपये प्रति माह कर दिया गया और पुन: छः महीने के बाद इसे घटा कर 50/- रुपये कर दिया गया और क्या इस संबंध में 22 अप्रैल, 1988 को गृह राज्य मंत्री को एक पत्र भी लिखा गया था ; और

(ग) पेंशन की राशि में कमी किये जाने के क्या कारण हैं तथा 500/- रुपये